Income Maintenance Advisory Committee Department of Health and Family Services Division of Health Care Financing January 19, 2006 *Minutes*

County Attendees: Jackie Bennett, Racine Co.; Sheila Drays, Dodge Co.; Joanne Faber, Washington

Co.; Tim Gessler, Winnebago Co.; Liz Green, Dane Co.; Jane Huebsch, Marathon Co.; Ed Kamin, Kenosha Co.; Doreen Lang, Wood Co.; Bob Macaux, Florence Co.; Chris Machamer, Waupaca Co.; John Rathman, Outagamie Co.; Amy Roland,

Outagamie Co.; Sue Schmitz, Waukesha Co.; Cindy Sutton, Rock Co.

State Attendees: Bernadette Connolly, DHFS/BEM; Brian Fangmeier, DHFS/BEM; Theresa

Fosbinder, DHFS/BEM; John Haine, DHFS/BEM; Lisa Hanson, DHFS/BEM; Jim Jones, DHFS/BEM; Pam Lohaus, DHFS/OSF; Bob Martin, DHFS/BEM; Amy Mendel-Clemens, DHFS/BEM; Jodi Ross, DHFS/BEM; Evie Ryan, DHFS/BEM; Eduardo

Zarate, DHFS/BEM

Administrative Items

The December meeting minutes were approved.

- Agencies expressed concern about the timely release of Operations Memos. Agencies are concerned that there is not enough time to learn new policies before the effective dates. DHFS will review the Operations Memo process to assure timely processing and publication.
- Local agencies also requested that DHFS send them the Performance Standards Reports.
- The MA Transportation changes are raising some questions among the agencies. John Rathman has a list of questions that will be forwarded to DHFS for clarification.

SSI Managed Care

Angie Dombrowicki distributed a PowerPoint presentation on the <u>Managed Care Expansion</u>. More resources can be found in the SSI Managed Care Guide found at: http://dhfs.wisconsin.gov/medicaid7/recipients/ssi/ssi_booklet.pdf.

The SSI Medicaid Managed Care Expansion was enacted as part of the 05-07 Biennial Budget. Milwaukee was the first county to start enrollment, with more than 16,000 enrollees to date.

Second Party Reviews

View the **Second Party Review Process Implementation Update**.

Governor's State of the State

The Governor's State of the State address contained an idea to create an expanded health care program for children, pregnant women and the relatives who care for minor children. Dubbed, 'BadgerCare Plus', the program would expand coverage to uninsured children regardless of family income (although at 300% FPL, the family would be paying for the entire HMO capitation payment) for pregnant women up to 300% FPL, and for parents and caretaker relatives with incomes no greater than 200% FPL. BadgerCare Plus would also involve major simplification of the Family Medicaid/BadgerCare program. Simplification would include the removal of

the complex subprogram model currently used, an income test without deductions or disregards, etc. We are in the early stages of proposing this program. DHFS will need the federal Medicaid agency, CMS, to approve a 'super waiver' and also state law changes. DHFS will keep agencies up to date as things progress.

Sub-Committee Update

Training and Technical Assistance

View TATA handout.

CWW Update

Jim Jones distributed two handouts. The first was a list of <u>CWW changes</u> that have happened through January 3, 2006. The second is a list of <u>changes to the CWW</u> coming in the next six months.

Payment Accuracy Update

View FFY 05 FS Payment Accuracy Summary.